

SRI A. R. BABDRINARAYANA.—(Minister for Education).

(a)	Professors	...	6
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### CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE.

(i) *re Scarcity of drinking water in Chitradurga Taluk*

SRI C. R. MOHAMED SAIFUDDIN.—(Chitradurga) I call the attention of the Minister for Municipal Administration to the scarcity of drinking water in Chitradurga Town.

SRI B. BASAVALINGAPPA (Minister for Municipal Administration) I State as follows

There are in all 21 borewells actually sunk for water supply to Chitradurga town out of which 17 borewells are old ones and 4 borewells have been newly sunk under emergency water supply scheme to Chitradurga Town. Out of the 17 old borewells only 12 are in good condition and the other 5 are not functioning due to incrustation and calcium deposits and thereby resulting in low yields. The remaining 12 borewells which are in working condition are being harnessed; three by employing submersible pumpsets, the other nine being run by compressors.

The 4 borewells sunk under emergency scheme are fitted with submersible pumpsets and are now working satisfactorily. The total yield from these working 16 borewells is of the order of about 18,000 gallons per hour. In addition, 5 open wells are also being harnessed which give an yield of 16,000 gallons per day. There is, in all, a total yield of 4,56,000 gallons per day from the open wells and borewells. In addition to this, water from a Voddu is being pumped at a rate of 3,000 gallons per day. This Voddu is likely to sustain supplies for another week or 10 days. Hence, as on today the total yield comes to 4,86,000 gallons per day with a pumping of 22 hours per day. The present population is estimated to be 55,000 for the town and with a floating population of 5,000, the total population is estimated to be 60,000. Therefore, the *per capita* supply works out to 8 gallons per day.

Action is already taken to install submersible pumps by replacing compressors on 3 borewells which are now working on compressors.

This work is expected to be completed within about 4 days. This is going to improve the pumpage from 3 wells to an order of 30,000 gallons per day, which will bring the *per capita* to about 8.5 g.p.c.d. After the water in Voddur is used up after about 8 to 10 days, as cited above, the supply of 8 g.p.c.d. will be maintained.

The comprehensive water supply scheme to Chitradurga at 20 g.p.c.d. is programmed to be commissioned by 25th March 1973.

SRI C. R. MOHAMED SAIFUDDIN.—I agree with the written statement made by the Hon. Minister. But I want a promise from the Hon. Minister that the comprehensive water supply scheme is commissioned by 25th of this month.

(ii) *re Scarcity of drinking water in Shorapur Town*

SRI RAJA PID NAIK. (Shorapur).—I call the attention of the Minister for Municipal Administration to the scarcity of drinking water in Shorapur Town.

SRI B. BASAVALINGAPPA.—(Minister for Municipal Administration) I State as follows.

In Shorapur Town, 3 bore wells have been sunk, out of which two have failed. The Geologist who was consulted has opined that the bore wells in the town will not be successful and they can be sunk only outside the town limits. Hence, further work of sinking bore wells in the town has been stopped. The bore wells sunk in Rangampur has got very good capacity of 3,000 gallons per hour. Now water is being pumped to the service reservoir by having a pipeline at Rs. 50,000—which is allotted from "64 Famine Programme." At the moment there is a well called Channappanna Bhavi from which the entire town is getting water. A well near the Captain Bungalow is being sunk where water table is quite high. Action is being taken to deepen all the wells in the Town under "64 Famine Programme." Arrangements are also being made to send water by tankers within a week.

A piped water supply to the town is now under execution. The head works are nearing completion. Raising main line to a length of three and half miles and the works of reservoir and distribution system are under various stages of progress. All action is being taken to complete the work expeditiously.

The work under National Rural water Supply Scheme for Shorapur is nearing completion.